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### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This paper is responsive to the Office Action in the above case having a mailing date of December 22, 2005. A request for time extension is enclosed. Hence this paper is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.